

AGENDA TITLE:

Adopt resolution to rescind award to Graybar Electric for Category 2 of

Electric Utility Distribution Hardware Supply Contract, 2003-2005, and to award to

second-low bidder, Southwest Power, Benicia, CA (\$38,750.36) (EUD)

MEETING DATE:

December 17, 2003

PREPARED BY:

Electric Utility Director

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the City Council adopt a resolution to rescind the award to Graybar Electric of Roseville for Category 2 (Overhead Hardware) of the Electric Utility Overhead and Underground Distribution Hardware Supply Contract

for 2003-2005 for failure to sign the agreement, and to award Category 2 to the second-low bidder. Southwest Power, Benicia, CA, for an estimated total amount of \$38,750.36.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: On July 2, 2003, the City Council adopted Resolution 2003-109 awarding contracts to the evaluated low bidder in each of five categories of the electric utility overhead and underground distribution hardware supply agreement, covering the two-year period ending June 30, 2005.

Agreements were signed by all awardees except Graybar Electric. Repeated attempts by city staff to secure a signed contract were met with excuses from Graybar as to reasons for the delays. Staff now believes Graybar has no intention of honoring their bid or signing the contract.

It is therefore recommended that the contract for Category 2 to Graybar Electric be rescinded, and that Category 2 be awarded to the second-low bidder, Southwest Power. The anticipated additional two-year cost to award to Southwest Power is \$2,103.30.

FUNDING:

Electric Utility Department's 2003-2005 Fiscal Operating Plan

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APPROVED:

. Dixon Flynn, City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-236

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL RESCINDING AWARD OF ELECTRIC UTILITY DISTRIBUTION HARDWARE SUPPLY CONTRACT 2003-05 TO GRAYBAR ELECTRIC, OF SACRAMENTO, FOR CATEGORY 2 (OVERHEAD HARDWARE); AND FURTHER AWARDING CONTRACT TO THE SECOND-LOW BIDDER, SOUTHWEST POWER, OF BENICIA

WHEREAS, on July 2, 2003, the Lodi City Council adopted Resolution 2003-109 awarding contracts to the evaluated low bidder in each of five categories of the Electric Utility Overhead and Underground Distribution Hardware Supply bid, covering the two-year period ending June 30, 2005. Contracts were awarded to the following bidders:

| Category 1 (Wood Crossarms) | Western States Electric, Portland, OR | \$ 6,533.96 |
|---|---------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Category 2 (Overhead Hardware) | Graybar Electric, Sacramento | \$18,323.53 |
| Category 3 (Electrical Tape) | Southwest Power, Benicia | \$ 4,778.50 |
| Category 4 (Underground Hardware) | Southwest Power, Benicia | \$ 2,805.81 |
| Category 5 (Underground Hardware) | Southwest Power, Benicia | \$ <u>6.120.74</u> |
| • · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | Estimated annual total: | \$38,562.54 |
| | Estimated two-year total: | \$77,125.08 |

WHEREAS, Graybar Electric, of Sacramento, California, has failed to execute the required contract, and staff believes it has no intention of honoring its bid or signing the contract; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends rescinding the award of the Electric Utility Distribution Hardware Supply Contract 2003-05 to Graybar Electric for Category 2 (Overhead Hardware) and further recommends awarding it to the second-low bidder, Southwest Power, of Benicia, California, for an estimated total amount of \$38,750.36.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lodi City Council does hereby rescind the award of the Electric Utility Distribution Hardware Supply Contract 2003-05 to Graybar Electric for Category 2 (Overhead Hardware), and further awards it to the second-low bidder, Southwest Power, of Benicia, California, for an estimated total amount of \$38,750.36.

Dated: December 17, 2003

I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2003-236 was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Lodi in a regular meeting held December 17, 2003, by the following vote:

AYES: CC

COUNCIL MEMBERS - Beckman, Hitchcock, Howard, Land, and Mayor

Hansen

NOES:

COUNCIL MEMBERS - None

ABSENT:

COUNCIL MEMBERS - None

ABSTAIN:

COUNCIL MEMBERS - None

SUSAN J. BLACKSTON

City Clerk